

May 2012

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S-G Gatehouse	
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#### **PROPERTY TAXES**

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Water / MUD #165	713-932-9011

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Hopper Middle School	281-463-5353
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### ASSOCIATION'S MANAGEMENT COMPANY CONTACT INFORMATION

Planned Community Management (PCMI) has been contracted by the Board of Directors to manage the day-to-day activities of the community. In order to contact the community's Board of Directions or if residents have concerns, questions about their account, or deed restriction violations to report, please put the information in writing and send via e-mail to Lucy Robertson at lrobertson@stes.com or call PCMI at 281-870-0585.

### TO CONTACT THE BOARD:

Please address the Board of Directors via Lucy Robertson, PCMI, (lrobertson@stes.com) P.O. Box 219223, Houston, TX 77218, 281-870-0585

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- Email Blasts On Community News & Events
- Resident Directory
- Current Events & Activities
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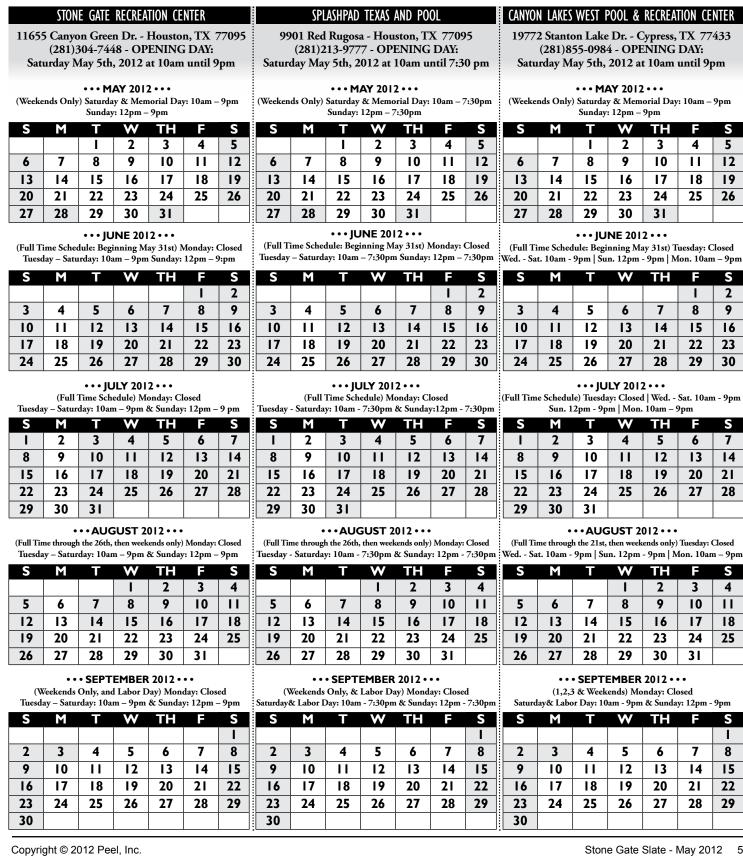


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## Stone Gate Owners Association Schedule of Pools for the Summer of 2012

\*If a holiday falls on a day that the pool would normally be closed, the pool will be open on the holiday and closed the following day. \*Please note that every pool is closed ONE day per week. Please see the calendars/schedules below for the closed days\*\*\*Open days are highlighted grey & times are above each calendar.



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### CALLING ALL SENIORS

The Nifty 50+ group is for the young at heart, 50 or older, retired or still working, male and female, and are residents of one of SG Owners Association sections (SG, CL, CLV, CLW). If you would like to know more about an activity or the group, please send an e-mail to stonegaterec@att.net. Monthly games and/or visiting will be held at the SG Rec Center on the first Wednesday of each month from 1pm-3pm. They also meet every third Wednesday at Sterling Country Club for breakfast at 9 am.

### DID YOU KNOW...THERE IS A LOST PET FEATURE TO COMMUNITY INTRANET

- Log into www.canyongate.com/residents/sg
- Click on "classifieds" located on left side of menu
- Click on "lost & found pets"

You can create a description of the lost or found pet as well



as add photos. Please include your contact information to speed up communications! This may also be a helpful website: cypresslostpetalert.com

### NEW PROPERTY MANAGER

Effective immediately, Lucy Robertson is your new property manager. Lucy can be reached at 281.870.0585 or lrobertson@stes.com. Please update your contact list.

### **ONSITE OFFICES**

Stone Gate Rec Center Office Monday-Saturday 10:00am-6:00pm 281-304-7448 stonegaterec@att.net 11655 Canyon Green Dr., Houston, TX 77095

### STONE GATE SPLASHPAD ONSITE OFFICE

Tuesday-Saturday 10:00am-5:00pm (weather permitting) 9901 Red Rugosa, Houston, TX 77095 281-213-9777

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### **Top Ten Tips for Improving Bad Breath**

Suffering from bad breath, but not sure why? Think about drinking more water and using less mouthwash. Find out why and learn more ways to improve your breath with these top ten tips.

Call it by its fancy name, "halitosis," and it won't smell any sweeter. Bad breath is frequently a sign that you're not keeping up with your oral health. The source of this unpleasant odor is, in most cases, bacteria living on your teeth, gums or tongue. Follow these ten tips for a breath of fresh air:

**Brush your choppers twice each day.** Better yet, brush after every meal. If you eat lunch at work or school, keep an extra toothbrush there. Also, be sure to replace your toothbrush regularly. Every few months, swap your brush for a fresh one.

**Reach between your teeth.** Flossing daily helps you remove food particles from

between your teeth, where your toothbrush just can't reach. Flossing also helps keep your gums healthy, preventing periodontal disease, which can also lead to bad breath. If using regular floss is difficult for you, try one of the many interdental cleaners available at drugstores.

**Pick up an electric toothbrush.** Along with floss, an electric toothbrush removes plaque better than a manual toothbrush.

**Treat your tongue right.** Bacteria can gather on the surface of your tongue, so use a soft-bristled toothbrush or a tongue scraper to clean it every time you brush.

Tap your inner teenager and chew gum. The act of chewing (sugarless!) gum stimulates the production of saliva, which naturally washes away bacteria and food particles. If you suffer from a lack of saliva due to "dry mouth," a condition sometimes caused by medication, let us know; we can help address the problem.

**Don't fall for the myth of mouthwash.** Most mouthwashes merely mask the smell of bad breath and don't do anything to solve the underlying problem.

**Hydrate, hydrate, hydrate.** Drink water regularly to keep your mouth moist, and go easy on alcohol and caffeine, both of which are dehydrating.

**Turn off the tobacco.** Smoking and chewing tobacco lead to bad breath. They also increase your risk of a host of serious health problems, from periodontal disease to cancer.

Take note of what you take in. Certain diets, foods and medications can affect your breath. If your problem doesn't appear to be oral, make a list of the foods you eat and medications you take. Review it with your *(Continued on Page 8)* 



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### LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS!

Center for Cultural Interchange is looking for volunteer hosts for foreign students. These students need a caring and safe environment to stay for the school year. Our students come from over 60 countries and are high school aged. They have their own spending money and are fully insured. Hosts are required to provide a bed and meals in their home. Searching for volunteers for the fall school year now. For more information or to get started please contact Jennifer Tausworthe at 713-203-6556 jennifer4cci@aol.com



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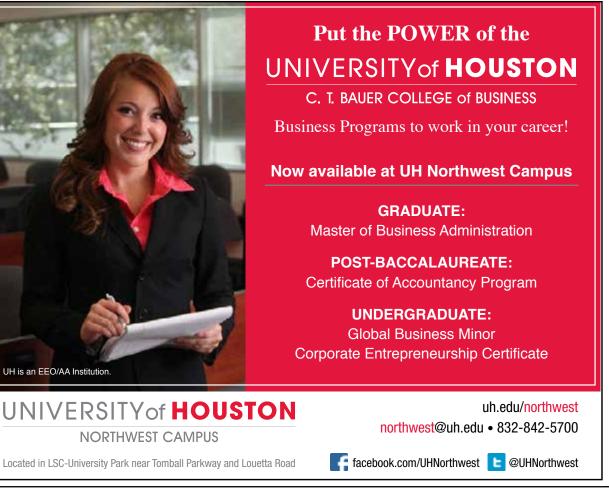
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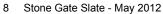
dentist or your family doctor to assess the source of the problem.

**Call in the experts.** It's important to have your teeth professionally checked and cleaned twice a year. Your dentist can give your teeth a thorough cleaning that isn't possible at home, as well as check for and treat early signs of problems such as cavities or periodontal disease.

In rare cases, persistent bad breath can be a sign of a larger health problem. The American Dental Association lists possible medical sources of bad breath, including respiratory infection, chronic sinusitis, postnasal drip, chronic bronchitis, diabetes, gastrointestinal disturbance, and liver or kidney ailments. If your dentist suspects that your breath problem stems from a medical issue, he or she will recommend speaking with your family doctor immediately.

Submitted by Dr. Flury





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### 2012 Stone Gate Community Events & Activities

Summer Pool Parties	Saturday, July 14
Canyon Gate Night at Astros	Saturday, September 22
Fall Garage Sale	Saturday, September 22
Golf Tournament	Monday, October 1
National Night Out	Tuesday, October 2
Ladies Brunch and Trunk Show	Saturday, November 17
Gingerbread House Making	Saturday, December 1
Holiday Yard Decoration Contest	December
Cookies with Santa	Saturday, December 15

Please contact Jennifer Henrie, Director of Community Events at jenniferhenrie@canyongate.com if you would like to help with any of our events! All Dates Are Tentative & Events are subject to change.



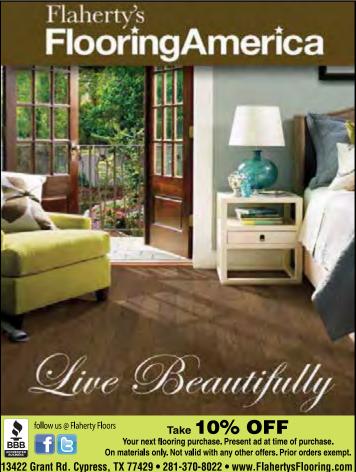
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### A Focus on Physical Activity - Pathway to Improved Health

By Concentra Urgent Care

Being physically active is one of the most important steps you can take to maintain or improve your health. When combined with eating a healthy diet, regular exercise can substantially reduce your risk of chronic disease, prevent weight gain, and improve your overall level of physical and emotional fitness.

#### HOW MUCH PHYSICAL ACTIVITY DO I NEED?

The U.S. Department of Health & Human Services (HHS) has recently published several recommendations related to exercise:

- Any physical activity is better than no physical activity
- Includes people with disabilities
- Far outweighs the possibility of risk of injury or illness *Most health benefits occur with at least 150 minutes a week*
- Both aerobic (endurance) and muscle-strengthening (resistance) are beneficial

For most people, additional benefits occur when

- You increase the intensity of your physical activity
- You increase the frequency of your physical activity
- You increase the duration of your physical activity

### SHOULD OLDER ADULTS EXERCISE, TOO?

The same HHS guidelines apply, but older adults need to make



sure that their fitness level and any chronic conditions allow them to safely perform physical activity. For example, if an older adult is at risk of falling, he should do exercises that maintain or improve his balance.

### WHAT IF I HAVE A CHRONIC MEDICAL CONDITION?

If you have a chronic medical condition, you should be under the care of a health care provider. It is important to consult your physician about the type and amount of physical activity appropriate for you.

### HOW DO I GET STARTED?

The health benefits of physical activity far outweigh the risks and some activity is better than none. Persons who have not been diagnosed with a chronic condition (such as diabetes, heart disease, or osteoarthritis) and do not have symptoms (e.g., chest pain or pressure, dizziness, or joint pain) do not need to consult with a health care provider prior to starting an exercise program.

For more information on total fitness programs in general, you can contact your health care provider, your Concentra health specialist, or visit the National Safety Council's Web site at: http://www.nsc.org/ resources/Factsheets/hl/fitness.aspx.



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### Celebrate Cinco de Mayo at Spring Festival

On Saturday, May 5th, Boys and Girls Country of Houston will host their annual Spring Festival on their campus in Hockley, Texas. Located 35 miles northwest of downtown Houston, Spring Festival is a great way for families to spend the day.

Spring Festival promises to be a huge celebration for community and family with a lively Cinco de Mayo theme. Admission and parking are free, and children's all-day event passes are only \$15 each. Booths will include a number of inflatable rides like King of the Mountain, Shark Slide, and Water Balls; a Slime Machine booth where you can slime your favorite person, and crafting booths for thelittle ones. There will be three stages with a variety of live entertainment, including Spanish musicians, Gospel singers, and solo artists.

"All of the proceeds of Spring Festival go directly to helping us provide a Home for our children," said George O'Neal, Director of Spring Festival and Community Relations. "This is going to be our largest and most exciting Spring Festival ever with many new additions that add fun and excitement."

For 41 years, Boys and Girls Country has provided a Home for children from families in crisis. They raise 88 children at their main campus and provide support to 55 young adults in their College and Career program. Boys and Girls Country is not a United Way member agency and does not rely on federal or state funding.



**DATE** Saturday, May 5, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

#### TIMES

Live Auction: 1:15 p.m. Silent Auction: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Lunch: Served 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. Barbecue, Chicken Burrito, or Hamburger/Hot Dog (Adult Plate: \$8.00, Kid's Plate: \$6:00)

### ACTIVITIES

All-Day Kids' Activity Passes: \$15.00 (individual activity tickets also available starting at \$0.25 each.)

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